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CALI GROUPS EXPLORE NEW SMUGGLING OPTIONS



AS CALI-BASED TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATIONS EXPERIENCE INCREASED COUNTERNARCOTICS PRESSURES, WE EXPECT THEM TO TRY A VARIETY OF MOVES FOCUSED ON MINIMIZING LOSSES AND DISRUPTION. WE BELIEVE THAT THE CALI ORGANIZATIONS ARE NOW ACTIVELY EXPLORING NEW OPTIONS FOR REPLACING CONVENTIONAL SMUGGLING ROUTES AND METHODS, SAFEGUARDING LOADS, AND TRIMMING LOSSES TO INCREASE PROFITS WHILE US MARKETS STABILIZE AND COSTS INCREASE.

THERE HAS BEEN AN INCREASE SINCE MID-1991 IN THE NUMBER OF REPORTS THAT LARGE AIRCRAFT--CAPABLE OF HANDLING PAYLOADS OF 3,000 KILOGRAMS OR MORE--ARE TRANSPORTING COCAINE ALONG MEXICAN AND CENTRAL AMERICAN TRAFFICKING ROUTES. FURTHERMORE:

--SINCE MAY, THE MEXICANS HAVE SEIZED FOUR LARGE SMUGGLING AIRCRAFT, AND US AGENCIES HAVE REPORTED POSSIBLE AIRDROPS INVOLVING TWO OTHERS AND A PROBABLE DELIVERY TO MEXICO INVOLVING A THIRD.

--ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER OF GROUPS ARE CAPABLE OF MULTITON COCAINE OPERATIONS, AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE CALI TRAFFICKERS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LARGE AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS ARE THE SAME ONES WHO SPONSORED MOST OF THE MULTIAIRCRAFT FLIGHTS INTO MEXICO IN 1990. WE BELIEVE THAT THE SHIFT TO LARGER AIRCRAFT IS A REACTION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY.

WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS ARE EXPLORING THE USE OF MARITIME SHIPPING AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT IN AN ATTEMPT TO AVOID DETECTION AND INTERDICTION. RECENT REPORTS INDICATE THAT CALI TRAFFICKERS WERE LOOKING INTO THE USE OF MARITIME LANES FROM COLOMBIA TO GUATEMALA AND MEXICO. RECORD SEIZURES OF COCAINE IN BRAZIL AND VENEZUELA—MORE THAN 4 TONS HAVE BEEN SEIZED SINCE JANUARY 1991—AND A BODY OF RELIABLE REPORTING POINT TO THE INCREASED USE OF SEA LANES FROM THESE COUNTRIES TO THE UNITED STATES.

RECENTLY REPORTED THAT 650 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE HCL WERE CONFISCATED IN THE PORT TOWN OF FORTALEZA. THE COCAINE, WHICH ORIGINATED IN COLOMBIA, WAS TRANSPORTED THROUGH BOLIVIA AND SMUGGLED INTO WESTERN BRAZIL.

IN ADDITION, COLOMBIAN TRAFFICKERS APPEAR TO BE MAKING GOOD USE OF THOSE ROUTES TO THE UNITED STATES THAT OFFER THE LEAST RESISTANCE. FOR EXAMPLE, REPORTING INDICATES THAT LARGE-SCALE OPERATIONS ARE A CONTINUING OCCURRENCE IN HAITI. ONE MOTHER SHIP TRANSFER OPERATION AND TWO AIRDROPS WERE DETECTED OFF THE COAST OF HAITI IN THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF AUGUST. SEIZURE STATISTICS INDICATE THAT OTHER AREAS--INCLUDING ECUADOR AND THE SOUTHERN CONE COUNTRIES OF PARAGUAY, CHILE, AND ARGENTINA--ALSO ARE BEING MORE FREQUENTLY USED BY COCAINE TRAFFICKERS. RECENT DETECTION AND MONITORING REPORTING INDICATES THAT TRAFFICKERS ARE FILING VALID FLIGHT PLANS--A TACTIC THEY HAVE USED IN THE PAST AND ARE LIKELY TO

CONTINUE TO USE.

DESPITE THE EFFORTS BEING MADE BY NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS TO EXPLORE NEW OPTIONS FOR SHIPPING COCAINE TO THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, ESTABLISHED ROUTES WILL PROBABLY ACCOUNT FOR THE BULK OF SHIPMENTS IN THE NEAR TERM. MEXICO AND CENTRAL AMERICA WILL PROBABLY REMAIN THE PRIMARY CONDUITS FOR US-BOUND COCAINE AND TWIN-ENGINE GENERAL AVIATION AIRCRAFT THE VEHICLE OF CHOICE. NEW ROUTES, HOWEVER, WILL BE EXPLORED ON AN EVER-INCREASING BASIS AS TRAFFICKERS ADAPT TO MORE CONCERTED ANTINARCOTICS ACTIVITIES AND AS THE EUROPEAN MARKET CONTINUES TO GROW. THE CHANGING ACTIVITIES WILL, IN THE SHORT TERM, MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT TO MONITOR AND ESTIMATE THE SIZE OF THE COCAINE FLOW. TRAFFICKER VULNERABILITIES ARE GREATER DURING PERIODS OF CHANGE, AND OPPORTUNITIES ARE GOOD FOR INCREASED LAW ENFORCEMENT PRESSURES IF THEY CAN BE BROUGHT TO BEAR BEFORE THE NEW ROUTES AND CONTACTS ARE FIRMLY ESTABLISHED.

ITEM 2: COLOMBIA: THE RODRIGUEZ OREJUELA ORGANIZATION

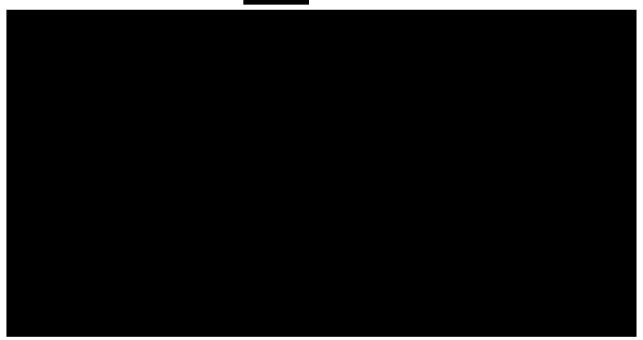
THE RODRIGUEZ OREJUELA TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATION HAS EMERGED AS ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL AND INFLUENTIAL COLOMBIAN DRUG RINGS, AND WE BELIEVE THAT ITS SHARE OF THE COCAINE TRADE HAS INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS. THIS GROWTH HAS PROBABLY OCCURRED AT THE EXPENSE OF MEDELLIN-BASED TRAFFICKING GROUPS, WHICH HAVE SO FAR BORNE THE BRUNT OF THE COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT'S ANTINARCOTICS OPERATIONS, AND MAY ALSO RESULT FROM AN EXPANSION IN WORLDWIDE COCAINE MARKETS. THE RODRIGUEZ OREJUELA BROTHERS CONTROL THEIR FAR-REACHING NETWORKS--WHICH EXTEND THROUGHOUT LATIN AMERICA, EUROPE, AND THE UNITED STATES--THROUGH THE USE OF HIGHLY COMPARTMENTALIZED PROCESSING, TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION, AND MONEY-LAUNDERING OPERATIONS, AND CLOSE PERSONAL OVERSIGHT OF THESE DIVERSE ELEMENTS.

COMMAND AND CONTROL

THE CENTRALIZED AND COMPARTMENTED STRUCTURE OF THE TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATION IS A MAJOR FACTOR IN ITS SUCCESS. THE RODRIGUEZ OREJUELA BROTHERS--GILBERTO AND MIGUEL--OPERATE PRIMARILY FROM CALI AND COORDINATE NARCOTICS OPERATIONS WITH CONTACTS IN COLOMBIA, MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA, AND THE UNITED STATES. THE ORGANIZATION ALSO DEPENDS ON SERVICES PROVIDED BY NUMEROUS INDEPENDENT TRAFFICKERS AND ASSOCIATES TO PROCESS COCAINE AND TRANSPORT IT NORTHWARD. THE EXTENSIVE USE OF INSULATED OPERATING CELLS LIMITS THE ACCESS AND KNOWLEDGE THAT ANY ONE MEMBER CAN GAIN ABOUT THE IDENTITIES OR ACTIVITIES OF OTHER ORGANIZATION MEMBERS. EXCEPT FOR THE PRINCIPALS, FEW OF THE ORGANIZATION'S MEMBERS KNOW ALL THE KEY ELEMENTS OF THE ORGANIZATION.

WHILE GILBERTO RODRIGUEZ OREJUELA IS THE HEAD OF THE

ORGANIZATION, HIS BROTHER MIGUEL MAINTAINS MUCH OF THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF TRAFFICKING OPERATIONS. MIGUEL OFTEN COORDINATES COCAINE DELIVERIES WITH HIS CONTACTS IN MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA, AND THE UNITED STATES. IT ALSO APPEARS THAT MIGUEL COORDINATES COCAINE SHIPMENTS THROUGH COLOMBIA'S NORTH COAST TRAFFICKERS. WE BELIEVE THAT GILBERTO RODRIGUEZ OREJUELA SETS POLICY FOR THE ORGANIZATION AND THAT TOGETHER THE BROTHERS MAINTAIN DIRECT CONTROL OVER ALL ASPECTS OF THE ORGANIZATION.



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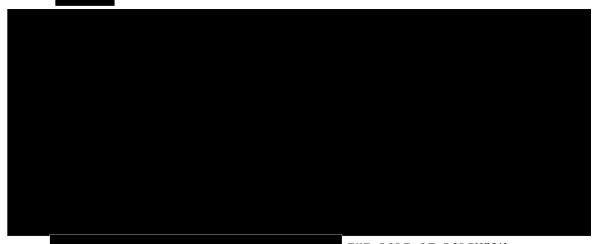




PERUVIAN AND BOLIVIAN SUPPLIERS

THE RODRIGUEZ OREJUELA ORGANIZATION RELIES HEAVILY ON PERUVIAN AND BOLIVIAN TRAFFICKERS FOR COCA PRODUCTS,

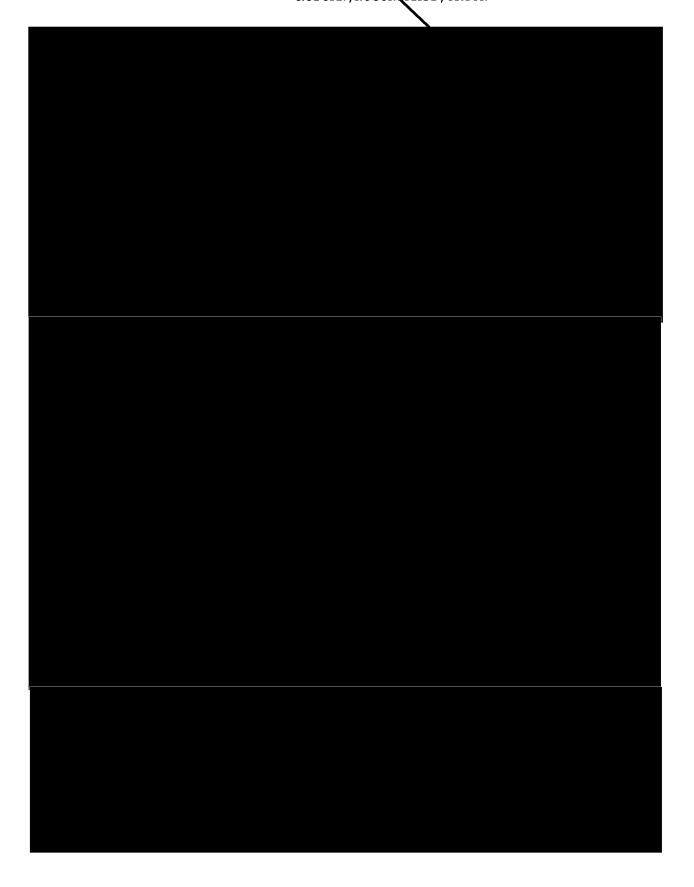
WHILE THERE IS A DEARTH OF SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON BOLIVIAN-CALI CONNECTIONS, WE BELIEVE THAT BOLIVIA IS PROBABLY A MAJOR SOURCE OF COCA PRODUCTS FOR CALI TRAFFICKERS, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE OFTEN CONFLICTUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH INSURGENTS IN PERU AND THE FACT THAT BOLIVIAN BASE IS USUALLY LESS EXPENSIVE THAN PERUVIAN BASE.

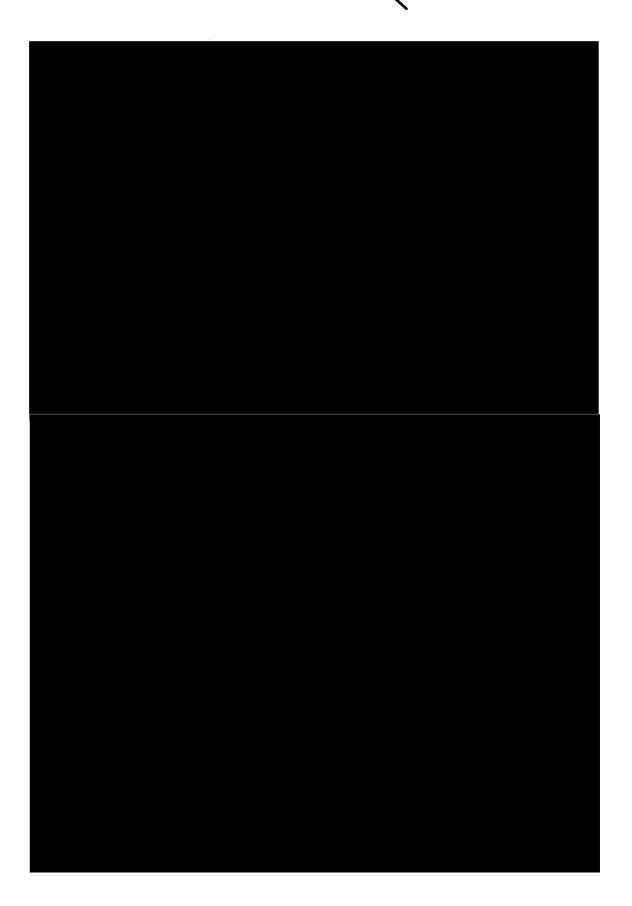


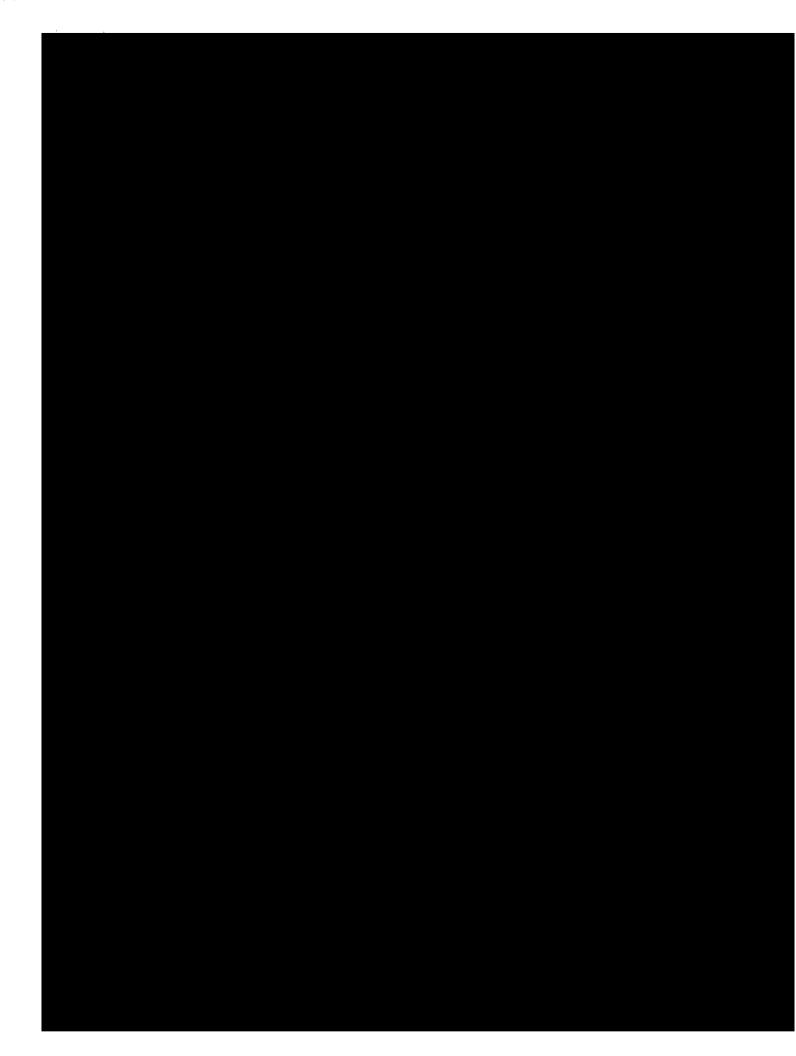
THE ROLE OF BOLIVIAN TRAFFICKERS HAS EVOLVED FROM THAT OF SUBORDINATE SUPPLIERS OF COCAINE BASE TO COLOMBIAN ORGANIZATIONS INTO A MORE COMPLEX NETWORK OF INDEPENDENT BROKERS WHO DEAL IN BOTH COCAINE BASE AND COCAINE HCL. THE CHANGING NATURE OF THIS RELATIONSHIP IS HIGHLIGHTED BY TWO INCIDENTS IN 1990: IN MARCH, AN AIRCRAFT FROM SANTA CRUZ, BOLIVIA, WAS SEIZED WITH 630 KILOS OF COCAINE HCL AT THE LA ELVIRA HACIENDA IN NORTHERN VALLE DEL CAUCA; AND, DURING A MAY RAID ON A MAJOR COLOMBIAN TRANSSHIPMENT COMPLEX, FIVE BOLIVIAN AIRCRAFT WERE SEIZED, INCLUDING ONE WITH 493 KILOS OF COCAINE HCL ON BOARD AT CANDILEJAS-AN AIRSTRIP OPERATED BY CALI-BASED TRAFFICKERS.

TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS

COLOMBIAN OPERATIONS. THE VALLE DEL CAUCA SERVES AS A MAJOR TRANSSHIPMENT CENTER, AS WELL AS AN IMPORTANT COCAINE PROCESSING AREA, FOR THE RODRIGUEZ OREJUELA ORGANIZATION.







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